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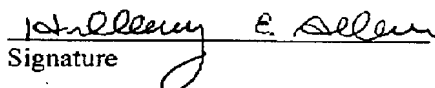
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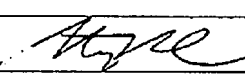
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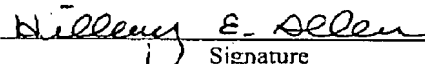
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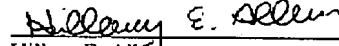
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In response to the Notice of Improper Request for Continued Examination (RCE) mailed July 5, 2007, Applicants note that they did not attempt to file an RCE, but a Continuation, which is now Serial Number 11/818,133.

Should there be any question concerning this response or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

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Respectfully submitted,



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